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1840-1850/1870's

32-4 W. Montgomery St. (North side)

Baltimore, Md.

Private and public access

This side of W. Montgomery St. includes the Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church, the first black church congregation to be established in the Federal Hill area. The Romanesque Revival style church was built in 1848 but the current appearance is the result of remodelings in the late 1860's and 1890's. The facade is now covered with formstone. To the east of the church, at 18 W. Montgomery St. there is a three story high, two bay wide Italianate-style parish house, also now covered with formstone, and to the west of the church, at 32 W. Montgomery St. there is a three story, three bay wide brick Italianate-style combination commercial/residential structure built contemporaneously with the corner building at 735-737 S. Hanover St. At the eastern end of the block there are two pairs of early brick houses dating from the 1840's, which are the only survivors of a group of similar houses that originally lined this side of the street. 8-10 W. Montgomery St. are three story, gable-roofed houses, two bays wide; 6 W. Montgomery St. is a typical two story plus attic, two bay wide brick house, with a two story high, one room deep side addition at 4 W. Montgomery St.

# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

32 W. Montgomery St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

#### CATEGORY

\_\_\_ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
\_\_\_ STRUCTURE  
\_\_\_ SITE  
\_\_\_ OBJECT

#### OWNERSHIP

\_\_\_ PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
\_\_\_ BOTH

#### PUBLIC ACQUISITION

\_\_\_ IN PROCESS  
\_\_\_ BEING CONSIDERED

#### STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED  
\_\_\_ UNOCCUPIED  
\_\_\_ WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
☒ YES: RESTRICTED  
\_\_\_ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
\_\_\_ NO

#### PRESENT USE

\_\_\_ AGRICULTURE  
☒ COMMERCIAL  
\_\_\_ EDUCATIONAL  
\_\_\_ ENTERTAINMENT  
\_\_\_ GOVERNMENT  
\_\_\_ INDUSTRIAL  
\_\_\_ MILITARY  
\_\_\_ MUSEUM  
\_\_\_ PARK  
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
\_\_\_ RELIGIOUS  
\_\_\_ SCIENTIFIC  
\_\_\_ TRANSPORTATION  
\_\_\_ OTHER:

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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This three story, three bay brick structure with shed roof and Italianate style cornice replaced an earlier three bay, two story with attic house that stood on the site. The present structure is more or less contemporary with its neighbor, 735-737 S. Hanover St., and in fact share a modern storefront facade on Montgomery St. with the larger corner building.

32 W. Montgomery St. is three stories high, 17' wide and runs back on its lot a depth of about 48'. It is constructed in running bond. Its shed roof is surmounted by a wooden cornice of Italianate design, consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding supported by four carved brackets, which connect to a lower molding strip of carved dentil design. A deep freize on the underside of the crown molding has punched and carved vine decorations. The brick freize defined between the cornice and the lower string of molding is punctuated by three carved wooden ventilating panels.

As with its neighbor 735-737 S. Hanover St., 32 W. Montgomery St. retains its original 2/2 sash on the second and third floors. The sash is identical to that of 735-737 S. Hanover St., with the upper panes curved to fit the segmentally arched brick lintels. At 32 W. Montgomery St., however, the lintels are simple brick segmental arches, without the decorative "hoods" seen at 735-735 S. Hanover. The sills are wood. The first floor of 32 W. Montgomery has been converted into a modern storefront and given a single unified treatment with that of its neighbor. A modern door is set back from a plate glass window, the whole being surmounted by a rectangular "cornice," composed of a long, deep wooden panel strip.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES      C.1885

BUILDER/ARCHITECT      Samuel Winter

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This building is significant as being built by the same builder who constructed the large double commercial/residential structure at the north-east corner of Hanover and W. Montgomery Streets, Samuel Winter. It too was designed to serve as a combination residence/store-front. The facade treatment is somewhat less elaborate than on 735-737 S. Hanover St., with the hooded brick lintels of that building having been replaced by simple arched lintels. The original store-front has been replaced by a modern version. Like most combination residence/store-fronts in the area there is a separate entrance to the private quarters on the upper floors.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

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COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

~~Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros, & Eccles~~

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STREET &amp; NUMBER

TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Ruxton,

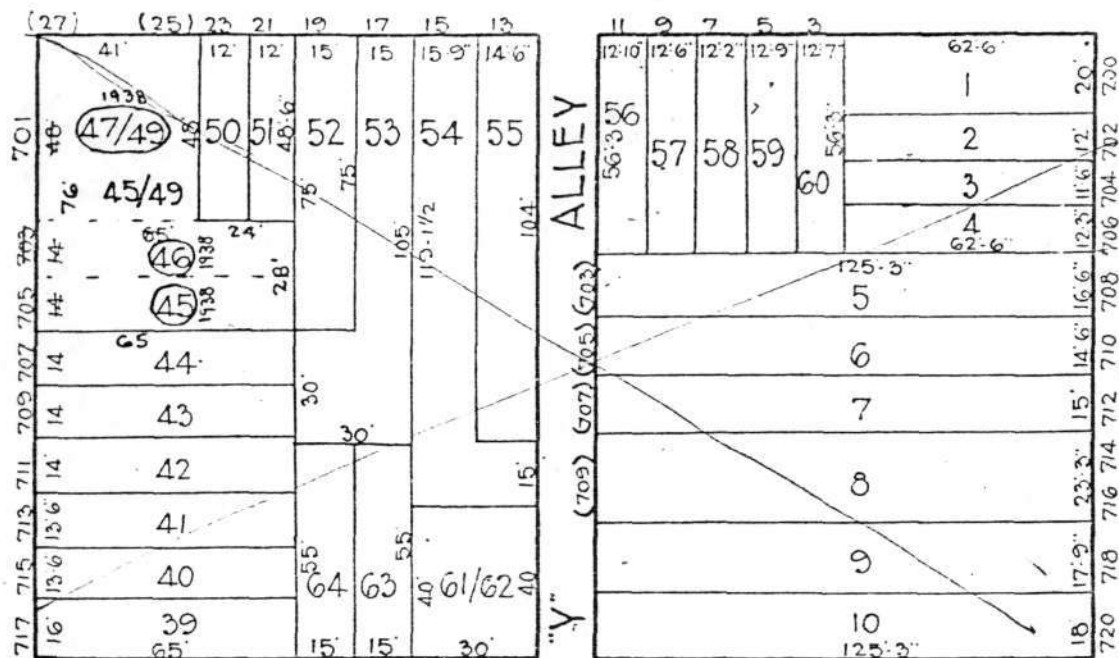
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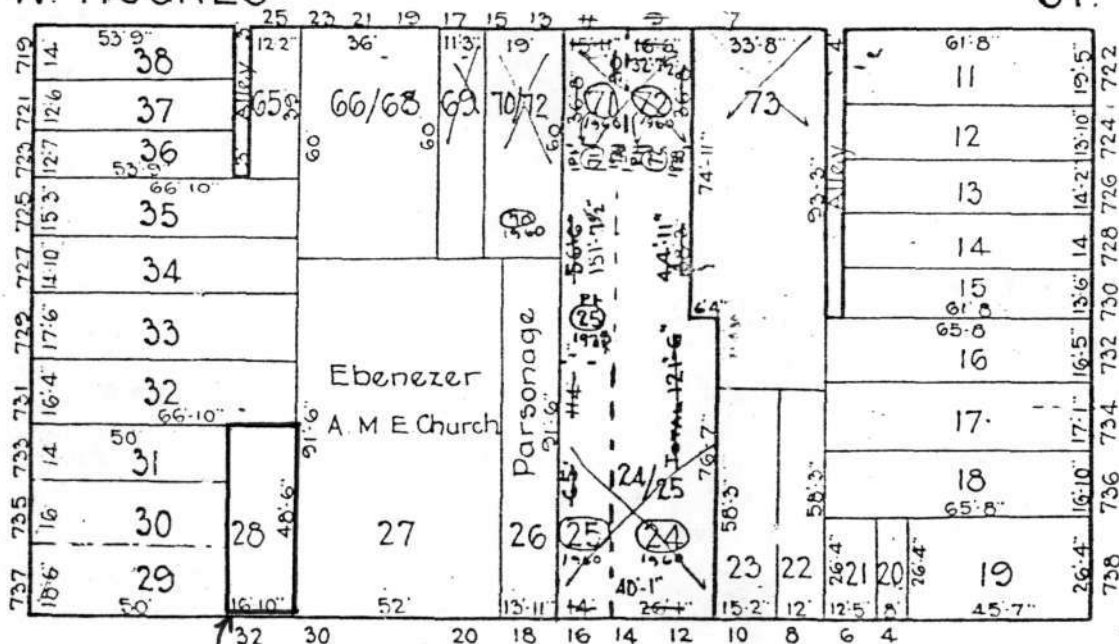
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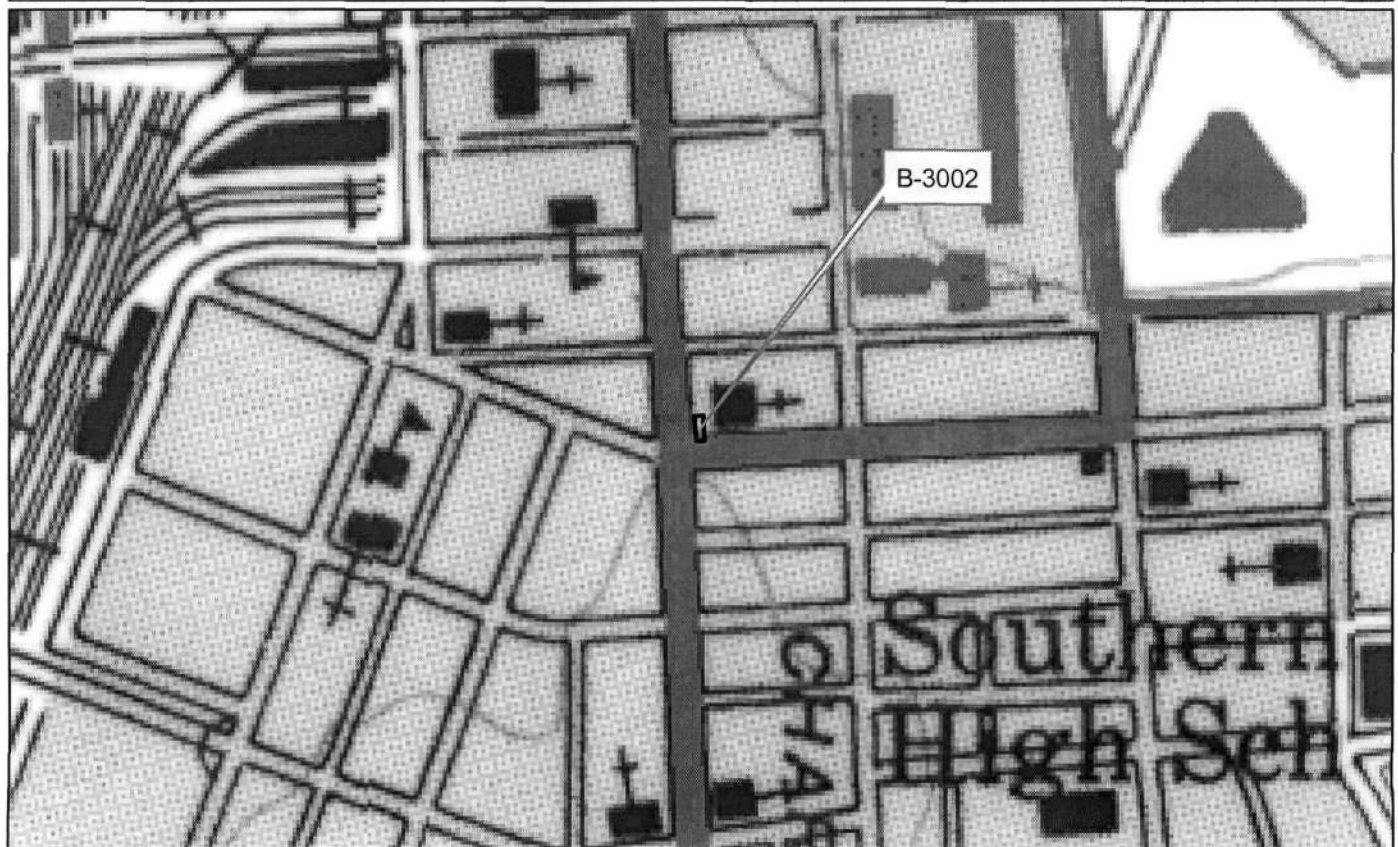


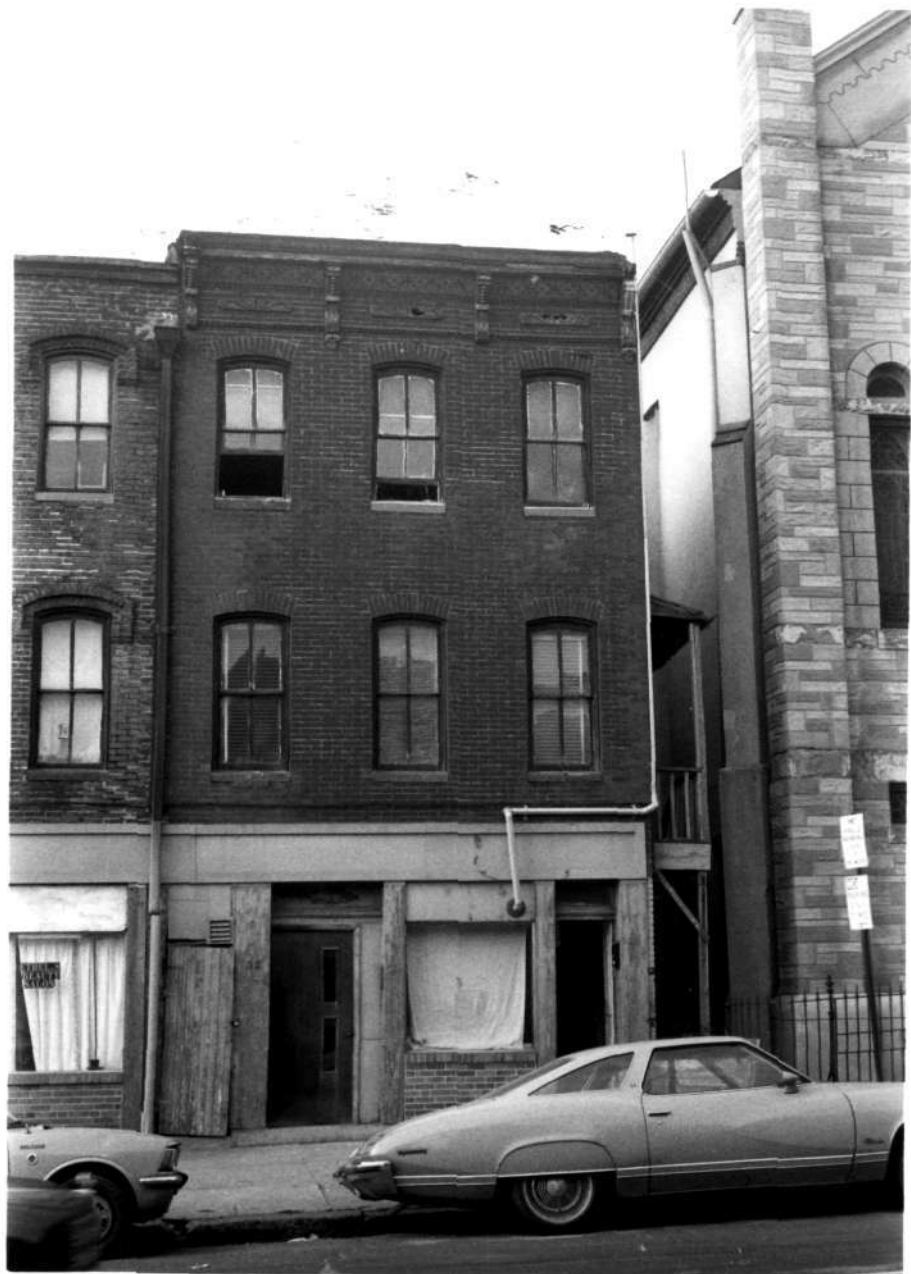
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Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.







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32 W. Montgomery St.

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South elevation